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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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EXAMINER: STACY B. CHEN

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FOR: SEQUENCES DIAGNOSTIC FOR FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

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This paper is filed in response to an Office Action mailed on April 21, 2009 and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Applicants have earlier filed a Notice of Appeal on July 17, 2009 The RCE and this response are believed to be timely filed. If any fee(s) (specifically authorized or not) are required to keep this application pending, please charge Account No. **04-1928**.

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

**Amendments to the Specification** are listed at page 2 of this paper.

**Listing of the Claims** The state of the currently pending claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.